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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE

**4858 Applestone Street** 

**MEMPHIS, TN** - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 4858 Applestone Street, Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 12:52 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Fourteen (14)pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-three (33)emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief T. Gentry was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 1:06 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.



It has been determined that the

residence **did not have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$5,000.00 structure and \$2,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen. Red Cross assistance was not requested.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by contacting the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line: <a href="https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/">https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/</a> Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.